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30 June 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell (part of meeting), Mr. Bissell,
25X1 Mr. Amory, Colonel White, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms,
25X1 Mr. Barnes, Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Kent, [redacted]
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MR. DULLES:

a. Read to the group certain recommendations he proposed to make to the Killian Committee on 1 July 1961 and as a result of the discussion which followed, Messrs. Amory, Kirkpatrick, and Kent undertook to submit suggested changes in some of these recommendations.

Mr. Kent noted that the final Defense recommendations on the establishment of a Defense Intelligence Agency will be presented to the Killian Committee today, and recommended that the Director call either Secretary McNamara or Deputy Secretary Gilpatric and suggest that the DCI receive a briefing on the proposals to establish this Agency. The Director concurred.

b. Referred to the recommendation of the Taylor Committee that the 5412 Group be reconstituted as the Strategic Resources Group, and in particular the recommendation that the Department of Defense handle PM-type operations, and asked DD/P to "draw up a budget" of our own regarding PM requirements. This request is based on National Security Action Memorandum #56 which indicates Presidential approval of the following:

"It is important that we anticipate now our possible future requirements in the field of unconventional warfare and paramilitary operations. A first step would be to inventory the paramilitary assets we have in the United States Armed Forces, consider various areas in the world where the implementation of our policy may require indigenous paramilitary forces, and thus arrive at a determination of the goals which we should set in this field. Having determined the assets and the possible requirements, it would then become a matter of developing a plan to meet the deficit."

c. Noted that a discussion had been held at yesterday's NSC meeting regarding an increase in the [redacted] and stated decision on

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25X1 this is being held in abeyance until such time as talks are concluded [redacted] in the U. S. The Director made it clear that he desired immediate action taken to establish responsibility for the [redacted] Defense. He cited an Army cable from Honolulu indicating 25X1 that this force is becoming disenchanted, feels it is doing all the fighting [redacted] not receiving proper medical attention for its wounded, 25X1 absence of American advisers, etc., etc., and said there is no doubt in his mind, as he has expressed before, that if Defense does not take 25X1 over support [redacted] CIA will be left holding the bag. He went on to say this responsibility should have been assumed by Defense at the STAT time [redacted] became a part of [redacted] Mr. Bissell commented that he had been in touch with General Lansdale on this subject and it is his understanding that Lansdale in turn has talked with Secretaries McNamara and Gilpatric. However, at the moment, no decision has been reached. The Director asked that this matter be pushed with speed and noted that we would of course work with the military in every way. Action: DD/P

25X1 MR. HELMS:

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25X1 [redacted] The Director said 25X1 this matter had been discussed at yesterday's Luncheon/Special Group Meeting and a course of action on this matter had been decided upon which possibly did not agree with action outlined by Mr. Helms. Action: 25X1 Mr. Helms to get in touch with Tom Parrott who has a record of the action taken by the Special Group and also USIA to whom the Group assigned action.

MR. KIRKPATRICK:

Asked the Director for guidance on replying to several letters received from members of Congress regarding support of families of the Cuban invasion force. The Director stated he would prefer to get this problem out of intelligence channels and directed that guidance as to how this should be handled be obtained from Dick Goodwin in the White House.

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